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Subject: FW: public comment on Kampachi Farms, LLC : Permit #: FLOA00001

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Dear Meghan Wahlstrom-Ramler and others,

I strongly object to granting a permit to Kampachi Farms LLC to establish a fish farm in the Gulf of Mexico.

Just a few reasons to deny this permit:

- Fish farms spread viruses and can be responsible for antibiotic resistance.
- There are inevitable fish escapes and the potential problems they bring are yet to be determined.
- The net pens are allowed to pass feces into open waters. Food pellets, which could contain antibiotics are also able to pass through the net pen.
- In the Pacific Northwest, where **Pacific** Salmon live in the wild, a fish pen that contained 305,000 farmed **Atlantic** salmon collapsed. This disaster is causing unknown threats to wild fish. There may be threats of disease, there may be threats to the food sources of native Pacific Salmon stocks by the escaped farmed Atlantic salmon.
- The oceans are a public resource and should not be allowed to be used in this manner.

Thank you for your consideration.
Please deny this permit.
Sincerely,
Pamela Gross